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Attached is a list of the locomotives available on 30 April 1949. The figures in brackets refer to the number of locomotives available on 31 March 1949.

	Total on hand	Service- able	Required for operations	Surplus or shortage
Locomotives available for normal operations	5338 (5298)	2934 (2699)	3017 (2885)	- 83 (-187)
Column locomotives (in RR brigades)	384 (421)	326 (355)	---	---
Foreign locomotives	1289 (1289)	78 (83)	68 (63)	+10 (+20)
Total of standard-gauge steam locomotives	7011 (7008)	3338 (3136)		
Small locomotives	459 (455)	177 (157)	288 (280)	- 111 (- 123)
Narrow-gauge locomotives	120 (120)	65 (54)	63 (53)	+ 2 (+ 1)

Comment: As compared with the preceding month, the number of serviceable locomotives has been increased by 236 by the return of column locomotives and the repair of damaged units. As, however, the entire Soviet Zone traffic serving Soviet interests, which so far was partly carried through with column locomotives, is now to be handled with free traffic locomotives only, there still remains a deficit of 83 locomotives for the train traffic and of 111 small-size locomotives for shunting operations. The locomotive situation apparently continues to show an upward tendency. That this improvement is genuine must be doubted on the basis of the reports on the operational situation etc. It is believed that the repair shops transfer all fairly repaired locomotives for further service shortly before the deadline for the delivery reports is reached, to fulfill their prescribed repair quotas. Such locomotives naturally have to be sent back to the repair shops after a short time.

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